

Bicycle Project Highlights: Off-Road

Wilkes County Yadkin River Greenway Project TIP Project E-4011

On May 18, 2002, Phase One of the Yadkin River Greenway Project was opened to the public. This project is unique in that it has established a cooperative plan between three local governments—Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro and Wilkes County—for its construction and future maintenance. The master plan for the greenway alignment follows an extensive portion of the Yadkin and Reddies Rivers and some of their tributaries. The plan is to build the greenway in phases. The central portion having three segments is to be constructed first and is Phase One.

The trailhead for Segment One of Phase One is at the CVS pharmacy parking lot on D Street in North Wilkesboro. This first segment of trail extends 0.8 miles following the west side of the Reddies River onto a 156-ft, pre-fabricated, naturally weathering, steel-arch bridge. The trail consists of a 10-ft wide asphalt pavement with 4-ft crushed stone shoulder on one side for pedestrian usage. This segment of the trail continues under Wilkesboro Boulevard Bridge and connects to existing sidewalks.



Ground-Breaking Ceremony
(Photo Courtesy of the Wilkes Journal-Patriot)



Yadkin River Greenway passes under the US 421 Bridge in Wilkesboro



Completed Yadkin River Greenway Bridge



Yadkin River Greenway, Phase I